GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE ON COOPERATIVE
THAAWAR CHAND GEHLOT

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the report of Brahma Prakash Choudhary Committee on cooperative;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith date on which the said report was received;

(c) whether Government propose to implement the recommendations of the said Committee;

(d) if so, by when; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (e) The Planning Commission in 1990 appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of Choudhary Brahm Perkash in view of the increasing demand from cooperatives to allow them to function as truly autonomous bodies without undue Government intervention. The Committee submitted its report in May 1991.The Committee examined the provisions of the existing Cooperative Societies Acts and felt that some provisions of these acts were restrictive in nature. With a view to promoting the independent and autonomous functioning of these Cooperative Societies, the Committee recommended, inter alia, a Model Cooperative Law aimed at providing true Cooperative character to cooperatives by removing the restrictive provisions and to facilitate the growth of an Integrated Cooperative Structure.

The recommendations of the Committee were considered and accepted in principle. It has been decided to replace the existing Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act on the lines of the Model Cooperative Law recommended by the Brahm Perkash Committee. Procedural formalities are being completed for replacement of the existing Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 1984.